(3) छिड़काव-यन्त्रों/ड्रिप पद्धतियों/हाइड्रेन्ट्स, जल टरबाइनों, मानव/पशु चालित पम्पों के प्रयोग के जरिये सिंचाई को प्रोत्साहित करना।

(4) समेकित ग्रामीण विकास कार्यक्रम।

(5) लैंड-टु-लैंब कार्यक्रम।

(6) विशेष पशुधन प्रजनन कार्यक्रम।

ये योजनायें छोटे एवं सीमान्त किसानों की आर्थिक दशा में सुधार लायेंगी।

States share of rice for the Central pool

2271. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state the names of the States which are contributing rice to the Central pool and how it is distributed to different states along with the quantity of rice procured, State-wise, during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): Statement showing names of States contributing rice to Central pool and State-wise quantity of rice procured during the last three years is attached (*See* Appendix VLIII, Annexure No. 96). The allotments of foodgrains are made to the various States/UTs on a month to month basis taking into account the overall availability of stocks in the Central Pool, relative needs of the various States, market availability and other related factors.

Completion of Konkan and Manmad-Parbhani-Allahabad railway project

2272. SHRI VITHALRAO MADHAVRAO JADHAV: Will the Minister of MENT be peased to state:

(a) what are the details of the ongoing projects in the Meerut District under the Konkan Railway i.e., from Bombay to Mangalore would be completed in coming five years;

(b) what is the planning for the completion of on-going BG Railway lines and M.G. to B.G. conversion projects in different parts of the country; and

(c) by when the Manmad-Parbhani-Adilabad M.G. to B.G. conversion is likely to be completed and what is the allocation of funds for this on-going project?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Completion of on-going new lines and gauge conversion projects would depend upon availability of resources in the coming years.

(c) The project has been taken up in phases as under:—

Detailed particulars	Funds proposed during 1990-91
(i) Conversion of Manmad-Parbhani-Parli Vaijnath into BG . . .	Rs. 14.00 crores
(ii) Conversion of Parbhani-Purna and Mudkhed-Adilabad and Parallel BG line between Purna and Mudkhed . .	9.50 crores

Completion will depend upon the availability of the resources in the coming years.

Dismissal of railway employees during railwaymen strike in 1975

2273. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Railway employees who were dismissed from service during

railwaymen strike of 1975 and whether there is any proposal to reinstate them; and

(b) if so, what are the modalities thereof?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Wholesale and retail prices of essential commodities

2274. KUMARI ALIA:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:
SHRI KAPIL VERMA:

Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) what were the retail and wholesale prices of essential commodities such as wheat, rice, tea, sugar, mustard oil and vegetable oil and kerosene oil monthwise during the last six months; and

(b) measures taken to bring down the prices?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) A statement showing the months-wise average retail prices and whole sale price indices of specified essential commodities from September, 1989 to February, 1990 is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLIII, Annexure No. 97].

(b) The Government has accorded highest priority to check the rising trend in prices of essential commodities. Both long term and short term measures are being taken for the purpose. The measures taken by the Government broadly include steps to increase production of essential commodities like sugar, edible oils and tea etc. which are in short supply, effective procurement and buffer stocking operations of foodgrains, strengthening of Public Distribution System, monitoring of prices and availability situation, strict enforcement of the provisions of the Essential Commodities. Act and other regulatory measures and augmenting domestic supplies through imports, wherever necessary, so as to check any abnormal rise in the prices of essential commodities.

Panel of selected SC/ST candidates in CWC

2275. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to refer to Unstarred Question 2717 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 17th March, 1989 and state:

(a) the number of posts reduced/increased due to re-organisation of Engineering Division, postwise;

(b) the number of posts for SC/ST and others affected by re-organisation in relation to promotion/recruitment;

(c) whether outstanding backlog for SC/ST before re-organisations in respect of Sectional Officer (Civil/Electrical) and others, had been fulfilled; and

(d) whether B.O.D. of the Central Warehousing Corporation had approved the re-organisations set up and the same was in accordance with the pattern of C.P.W.D.

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI NATHU RAM MIRDHA): (a) The information is as follows: